

Instructions for Completing PPQ Form 526
Application for Permit to Move Live Plant Pests or Noxious Weeds

Complete this form to request a USDA-APHIS-PPQ General Permit for the importation of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency registered biopesticides into the United States.

DO NOT SUBMIT ANY GENETICALLY ENGINEERED PLANTS OR PLANT PESTS ON THIS FORM – PLEASE USE APHIS FORM 2000.

For additional information, visit the web site at: <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/planthealth/permits>

Type the requested information into the application provided on the internet page. The blocks that do not require the applicant information have been prefilled with “N/A”. Do not leave any of the remaining blocks unfilled. If a box does not apply, enter “Not Applicable” or “N/A.”

HOW TO COMPLETE EACH BLOCK:

Block 1: Enter the complete name, as shown on passports, legal documents, and the applicant’s physical and email addresses. Only one applicant is allowed per application and the applicant must be a U.S. resident. We strongly encourage academic advisors to apply for permits on behalf of their students as durations of permits issued to students will be restricted. The name of the applicant should be the person actually responsible for the requested organism(s) and permit conditions. Institutions and businesses should apply for permits under the name of the person using the organism(s) and not coordinators.

Block 2: Enter telephone number, including the Area Code and any extensions. Follow this with your facsimile number, including the Area Code.

Block 3: Prefilled (Other - U.S. EPA Registered Biopesticides)

Blocks 4, 5, and 6: List biopesticide active ingredients as identified by the EPA registration.

Columns A and B; Scientific Name and Classification: Enter the scientific name (genus and species) and the author (e.g., *Cinara strobil* (Fitch) or *Baris lepidii* Germar). The appropriate strain or culture number is the U.S. EPA-registration number and is required. Please provide the location where the organism was originally collected as well.

Column C; Life Stages: Prefilled (N/A).

Column D: Prefilled (N/A).

Column E: Enter the Country or State from which the organism(s) are originally being shipped.

Column F; Organism Establishment: Prefilled (N/A).

Column G; Major Hosts: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 7; Media or host material accompanying the organism: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 8; Destination: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 9; Port of Arrival: List the desired port(s), otherwise enter as “unknown.” USDA will assign the port of entry.

Block 10: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 11: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 12: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 13; Method of Shipment: Check the appropriate box. For express deliveries, enter the company.

Block 14; Intended use: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 15: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 16; Method of Final Disposal: Prefilled (N/A).

Block 17: By submitting the application form (i.e. activating the [Submit Application] button), the applicant agrees to comply with all the permit conditions.

Block 18: Prefilled (N/A).

Do not fill in or place other markings in boxes below Block 18.

The applicant will have to send the system generated email and application, without revision or modification, to the PPQ-Pest Permitting Branch inbox (i.e. the [To...] line of the email already contains the appropriate address). The applicant should save a copy of the application and correspondence. APHIS

will send the general permit to the email address provided in Field 1 of the application. For each shipment, accompanying paperwork **MUST** include a copy of a Certificate of Analysis prepared in accordance with QC procedures approved by the US EPA and an US EPA issued Notice of Arrival. The Certificate of Analysis must be dated within 90 days of arrival at the port of entry and the certifying laboratory must be located in the country of origin listed.

For further assistance contact:

USDA-APHIS-PPQ, Registrations, Permits, and Manuals, Pest Permitting Branch,
4700 River Road,
Unit 133,
Riverdale, MD 20737

Do not mail and fax the same application. Do not mail or fax the application to the State.

Please call for help or information: 301-851-2046.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control numbers for this information collection are 0579-0049, 0054, 0207, and 0213. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average .17 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE
PLANT PROTECTION AND QUARANTINE**

**APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO MOVE
LIVE PLANT PESTS, NOXIOUS WEEDS,
SOIL, AND PROHIBITED PLANTS**

SECTION A – TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT

1. NAME, TITLE, AND ADDRESS (Include ZIP Code)

3. TYPE OF PEST TO BE MOVED

* ☐ Pathogens ☐ Arthropods ☐ Noxious Weeds

☒ Other (Specify) U.S. EPA Registered Biopesticides

This permit does not authorize the introduction, importation, interstate movement, or release into the environment of any genetically engineered organisms or products.

2. TELEPHONE NO.

A. SCIENTIFIC NAMES OF PEST TO BE MOVED	B. CLASSIFICATION (Orders, Families, Races, or Strains)	C. LIFE STATES, IF APPLICABLE	D. NO. OF SPECIMENS OR UNITS	E. SHIPPED FROM (Country or State)	F. ARE PESTS ESTABLISHED IN U.S.?	G. MAJOR HOST(S) OF THE PEST
4.		N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
5.		N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A
6.		N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A

7. WHAT HOST MATERIAL OR SUBSTITUTES WILL ACCOMPANY WHICH PESTS (Indicate by line number)

N/A

8. DESTINATION N/A	9. PORT OF ARRIVAL	10. APPROXIMATE DATE OF ARRIVAL OR INTERSTATE MOVEMENT N/A
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11. NO. OF SHIPMENTS N/A	12. SUPPLIER N/A	13. METHOD OF SHIPMENT <input type="checkbox"/> Air Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Air Freight <input type="checkbox"/> Baggage <input type="checkbox"/> Auto
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14. INTENDED USE (Be specific, attach outline of intended research.)

N/A

15. METHODS TO BE USED TO PREVENT PLANT PEST ESCAPE N/A	16. METHOD OF FINAL DISPOSITION N/A
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17. Applicant must be a resident of the U.S.A. I/We agree to comply with the safeguards printed on the reverse of this form, and understand that a permit may be subject to other conditions specified in Sections B and C.	SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Must be person named in Item 1.) Activation of [Submit Application] function	18. DATE N/A
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Warning: Any alteration, forgery, or unauthorized use of this document is subject to civil penalties of up to \$250,000 (7 U.S.C. 7734(b)) or punishable by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001)

SECTION B – TO BE COMPLETED BY STATE OFFICIAL

19. RECOMMENDATION <input type="checkbox"/> Concur (Approve) <input type="checkbox"/> Comments (Disapprove) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Accept USDA Decision)	20. CONDITIONS RECOMMENDED N/A
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21. SIGNATURE N/A – no State review required	22. TITLE N/A	23. STATE N/A	24. DATE N/A
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SECTION C – TO BE COMPLETED BY FEDERAL OFFICIAL

25. PERMIT NO.

PERMIT

(Permit not valid unless signed by an authorized official of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.)

Under authority of the Plant Protection Act of 2000, permission is hereby granted to the applicant named above to move pests described, except as deleted, subject to conditions stated on or attached to this application. (See standard conditions on reverse side.)

* For exotic plant pathogens, attach a completed PPQ Form 526-1 (Live Plant Pathogens).

26. SIGNATURE OF PLANT PROTECTION AND QUARANTINE OFFICIAL General Permit – PPB issuer signature	27. DATE N/A	28. LABELS ISSUED N/A	29. VALID UNTIL 3 YEARS FROM ISSUANCE DATE	30. PEST CATEGORY BIOCONTROL/ BIOPESTICIDE
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INSTRUCTIONS: Submit application after you have have read and agree to the permit conditions on the following page (scroll down) of this application.

PERMIT GUIDANCE

Receipt or use of foreign isolates or samples from countries under sanctions requires specific permission from the U.S. Department of Treasury (see <http://www.ustreas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/sanctions> for current country/regional listings for current country listings).

This permit does not authorize importation of strains of genetically engineered regulated organisms (created by the use of recombinant DNA technology).

This permit does not fulfill the requirements of other federal or state regulatory authorities. As appropriate, please contact the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the APHIS Veterinary Services unit, or your State's Department of Agriculture to ensure proper permitting.

This permit does not authorize movement or use of plant pathogens listed in the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002. If any organism listed as a Select Agent is identified from materials associated with this research, the permit holder is required to notify APHIS, Agricultural Select Agent Program (ASAP) immediately by phone at 301-851-3300, and within seven (7) days submit APHIS/CDC Form 4 (Report of Identification of a Select Agent or Toxin in a Clinical or Diagnostic Laboratory) to APHIS, ASAP; 4700 River Rd, Unit 2, Riverdale, MD 20737 (see instructions at: http://www.aphis.usda.gov/programs/ag_selectagent/index.shtml). Failure to comply with this requirement is a violation of the Agricultural Bioterrorism Protection Act of 2002.

PERMIT CONDITIONS

This permit authorizes the importation of the EPA registered microbial pesticide of the strain(s) listed in the Regulated Article or Organism block under Culture Designation.

1. This permit authorizes the importation of an EPA registered microbial pesticide of the strain(s) listed in the Regulated Article or Organism.
2. This permit is ONLY for importation of EPA registered microbial biopesticides.
3. Packaging must be sufficiently sturdy to contain the organism during shipment to the facility.
4. Once this shipment clears Customs and Border Protection inspection, the interstate movement and release into the environment of the organism listed above does NOT require a PPQ 526 permit. The EPA has jurisdiction over this registered product within in the United States.
5. Accompanying paperwork MUST include a copy of a Certificate of Analysis prepared in accordance with quality control procedures approved by the U.S. EPA and a U.S. EPA issued Notice of Arrival. The Certificate of Analysis must be dated within 90 days of arrival at the port of entry and the certifying laboratory must be located in the country of origin listed.
6. The requirement for PPQ 550, red and white shipping labels, is waived.

END OF PERMIT CONDITIONS